November 2012

2012 Schedule of Meetings:

2012: Mar. 7th, Apr. 4th, May 9th, June 6th, July 4th, Aug. 1st, Sept. 5th, Oct. 3rd, Nov. 7th, and Dec. 5th. No meetings Jan.-Feb.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m., meeting starts 8 p.m., at the Rockwood Public Library (inside Eramosa Community Centre) at 85 Christie Street (near corner Christie Street and Main Street North Wellington Road 27, Rockwood, On. NOB 2KO.

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NEXT MEETING DATE: WEDNESDAY, November 7th, 2012



President's Message



Our next meeting is November 7th, 2012 and our topic will be on 1967 Canadian Centennial memorabilia and collectibles as presented by **Len Kuenzig! Len's** "The Eclectic Collecting of Canada's Centennial Memorabilia" even includes such things as paperweights and egg-timers! **Len** has a track record of faultless research and a passion for collecting, you won't want to miss this!

Lowell welcomes consignments for our monthly auctions too!

Cheers! John

Len and **Grace Kuenzig** of the Georgetown area, celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on September 30th, 2006. Just like their 50th Wedding Anniversary, an announcement appeared in the Independent & Free Press welcoming family and friends to join in the celebration. Now one of those family members was **Len Kuenzig Senior's** namesake, his son **Len Kuenzig** who in addition to being 1st Vice-President of the North York Coin Club and their Past Treasurer; Secretary-Treasurer of the Canadian Association of Token Collectors; and area Guest Speaker / Presenter; he is also a valued member of the SWCS. One of these pictures shows **Len** sharing two recent additions to his 1967 Canadian Centennial collection (September 2012).





Len not only collects coins, banknotes and tokens from this Centennial, but almost anything else you can imagine which he will gladly share with us.





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Articles of the upcoming newsletters are due to the Editor by no later than the 15th of the current month.

Advertising space will be accommodated where space is available.

Highlights of Last Meeting reported by Len Kuenzig

Membership Draw:

Judy Blackman name was drawn, but she was A.W.O.L. so our November draw will be for \$20 = be there or be SQUARE! This draw is eligible for "dues paid up" members present at the meeting.

Door Prize Winners:

The 8 door prize winners were Brent Mackie, Joey Contini, Mel Brown, Charlie Turton, Jessica Contini, Doug Wilson, Raj Gupta and Ernie Blair. Donations for door prizes always welcomed.

King Arthur's

Treasure (in honor of the memory of Art Stephenson, friend and past SWCS Executive member):

Joey Contini won ?? items. Tickets cost one Canadian dollar each or five foreign coins.

Our Speaker / Education:

Our RESIDENT speaker **Mike Hollingshead** gave an interesting talk about rare and interesting varieties of Cana-

dian Tire coupons. Peter Becker discussed ONA Renewals and the upcoming convention.

We had 13 members and 1 guest present.

Auction:

Once again a success! Consignments welcomed, contact **Lowell** at ljwierstra@rogers.com or phone 519-824-6534!

Oct. 13 Coin Show:

Once again we had an outstanding show, attendance was good, Mother Nature cooperated with the weather, and our 25 dealers had a vast variety of offerings at 40 tables. Many thanks to all our dealers for supporting our show: Harry Booth, Tom Clarke, Colonial Acres, Dave Hill, Peter Kostyk, Carl Anderson, Paul Koolhaas, Nick Cowan, Ted Bailey, Joe Szeker, Rudy Sauro, Gary Fedora, John Burrell, Steve VanBree, Verne Hoskins, Andy Grecco, Dick Dunn, Scott Nagel, Dan Jones, Mike Wilson (Coin Cabinet N.B.), Bob Armstrong, N & K Preece, B & W, Brian Borthwick, and Ernie Blair.

Mall Display Days:

Many thanks to all who worked our SWCS Mall Display Days Sept. 29-30 at Stone Road Mall. Saturday was: Judy Blackman, John Semedo, Mel Brown, Charles Turton, Anton Pavlis, Lowell Wierstra, Doug Gibson, and Mike Hollingshead. Sunday was: John Semedo, Mel Brown, Charles Turton. Anton Pavlis, Lowell Wierstra, Doug Gibson, Mike Hollingshead, Peter Becker and Harold Hammond. As always, your support is much appreciated in educating the general public on this hobby, and increasing our club membership. Thanks to Judy and her mother Kathryn for the yummy treats!

Sept. 30th, Happy Birthday **Dave Marcella!**



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Our Deepest Sympathy on the Loss of John Gordon Boshart

Our sympathy to the Boshart family on the loss of John who passed away surrounded by his family on August 31, 2012, at the age of 69. John was an active member of the Waterloo Coin Society and the Ontario Numismatic Association and travelled around to local shows and other clubs, until his illness forced him into full-time treatment. John was an extremely remarkable man and is missed greatly by his family and friends. The love of his family shone through whether he was talking with Margaret, speaking about Paul or recounting the antics of his grandchildren. Throughout his long-fought brave battle with Pulmonary Fibrosis, John carried on with incredible courage and dignity, always trying to ease the pain of his family. During visits from family and friends, John would reach deep into himself no matter how bad he felt and welcome them graciously. John was a wonderful and considerate friend who will always be remembered fondly.

John and Margaret (nee Hanson) were married 44 years and the proud parents of Paul who is married to Sandra. John especially enjoyed his role as cherished grandpa of Liam, Alex, Nathan and Isable. John (1 of 16 children) was survived by his 11 siblings: brothers Raymond, David, and sisters Irene, Mary, Edna, Ruth, Jean, Margaret, Alice, Linda, and Kathy. His parents Michael and Katherine (nee Erb), brothers Eldon and William, and sisters Joan and Shirley predeceased him.

Sincere condolences to Margaret and the rest of the Boshart family!

Pictures from Sept. 2012 Mall Display Days courtesy of **Judy Blackman**, includes a sample of the "Chinese teaching money" that **Mike Hollingshead** displayed.











H. Barnard Stamp and Stencil

by Scott E. Douglas, FCNRS; FRCNA

Did you know...... that one of the most successful token producing companies of Canada began with a loan of \$10 and a machine that made rubber stamps?

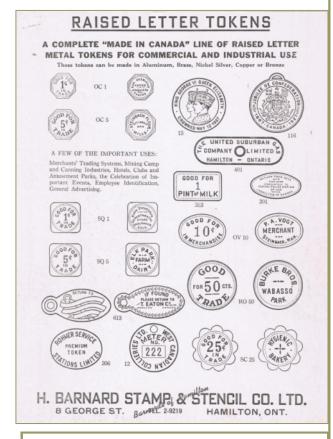
Harry Barnard was born near Hamilton, Ontario on May 13, 1846. Barnard's early education was obtained at Caradoc Academy near London, Ontario.

After completing his education Harry worked first as a hatter and then as a clerk in a dry goods store. At the age of 21 Harry received his inheritance in which he successfully invested in a business with his brother turning \$2200 dollars in to \$6000 in 5 years. Harry then entered the coal and wood business and did well for a time until the depression of the 1880's bankrupted him. His health then gave out and for 3 years he sold books and did other small jobs just waiting for his next opportunity. That break came when a man offered Harry a machine that could make rubber stamps. The man instructed Harry how to use the machine and so with this knowledge, \$10 borrowed dollars and a desire to succeed Harry Barnard formed H. Barnard Rubber Stamp Works of Hamilton, Ontario. From 1892 until around 1900 Harry fine tuned his new craft and then formed the Hamilton Stamp and Stencil Works incorporating in 1911. Hamilton Stamp and Stencil would go on to create many tokens and medals found in the Breton and LeRoux numismatic coin books as well as striking tokens for other well known companies such as the Cranston Novelty Company of Galt, Ontario. Harry Barnard died in Hamilton March 14, 1928 at the age of 82.

Some of the items Harry Barnard offer in his catalogues.



Some tokens and medals struck by Hamilton Stamp and Stencil Works.



Scott writes for *CCN*, *RCNA CN Journal*, *ONA Ontario Numismatist*, and our club newsletter Did You Know...".

We appreciate his valuable contribution.

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A Sense of Freshness shared by Dave Marcella





A while ago a new supermarket opened in Topeka, KS. It has an automatic water mister to keep the produce fresh. Just before it goes on, you hear the sound of distant thunder and the smell of fresh rain.



When you pass the milk cases, you hear cows mooing and you experience the scent of fresh mowed hay.



In the meat department there is the aroma of charcoal grilled steaks with onions.

When you approach the egg case, you hear hens cluck and cackle, and the air is filled with the pleasing aroma of bacon and eggs frying.



The bread department features the tantalizing smell of fresh baked bread and cookies.

I don't buy toilet paper there anymore.

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Discovered at SWCS Oct. 13th Fall Coin Show! by Judy Blackman

What was happening during 150th Anniversary year 1987 in Owen Sound?:

- The community's new Cadillac-Fairview mall, slated for completion this October, will add 350,000 sq. ft. of retail space to the town -- or about 33% of the community's entire selling area. Main Street Canada Newsletter Mar/Apr 1987 Vol.3, No.2
- Plenty of design work here: the Main Street office continued work on its First Avenue study and on three façade designs for downtown merchants. In addition, co-ordinator Eric Clough offered advice to local store owners on computers and ways to establish inventory control. Main Street Canada Newsletter, May/June 1987 Vol.3, No.3
- Eric Clough reports that the city recently held a Police and Emergency Service Awareness day. As many as 40 agencies including the RCMP, Crimestoppers, and Block Parents -- participated. One highlight: A Canada Customs drug-sniffing dog demonstration. Main Street Canada Newsletter, July/Aug 1987, Vol.3, No.4
- Council approved a visitor and convention bureau to promote Owen Sound. Eric Clough continued working on its First Avenue Study and Facade Study. The annual police and emergency service day promotion was held. July saw the annual street arts festival. Main Street Canada Newsletter, Sept/Oct 1987 Vol.3, No.5
- Eric Clough tells us that he's happy with an infill project in downtown Owen Sound. Local clothing entrepreneur Bernie Fishman is the developer of a building on a 2nd Avenue East location. It will offer 9,000 square feet of office space on the second floor with room for five new retail stores on street level. Eric has had input into its design. Main Street Canada Newsletter, 1987, Vol.3, No.6

As a member of the South Wellington Coin Society, I attended our annual fall show held on Saturday, October 13th, 2012, in Guelph. SWCS has two annual coin shows, a spring and autumn. During my hunts of this show, I came across a 1987 Owen Sound Homecoming 3 Dollars trade note. I actually thought it was packed with so much information and design, that it was not one of the more attractive trade notes. I took this home and promptly looked it up in my 15th Anniversary Edition 'Standard Catalogue of Canadian Municipal Trade Tokens & Notes")1993) which on page 14-7 indicates this paper note is 73 x 162 mm in size and had a mintage of 10,000; and claims the printer was Star Brown Printers Ltd. I knew immediately this to be incorrect since I am acquainted with the actual printers, and knew this should read 'Stan Brown Printers Ltd.". The paper texture feels almost woven, and yet silky smooth, and is in remarkable shape for a 25 year old note.



Now before we go further into this printer issue, let's talk about the note itself. It features a distorted image of Captain W. F. Owen and an image of Richard Carney and what we are to believe are their signatures.

According to Owen Sound's Historical Society records: The first white visitor to the Owen Sound area was probably French explorer Samuel de Champlain with Father Le Caron in 1616. He recorded information on the local Indians, naming them "Cheveux Releves: because of their high head dress. The next recorded visitor was Captain Gother Mann in 1788, who arrived at the harbour during storms and high water. Captain Mann named the bay "Thunder Bay" because of the severe storms during his stay. In 1815, William Fitzwilliam Owen and Lieutenant Henry W. Bayfield were sent to survey the waters of the upper Great Lakes. The inlet named "Owen's Sound" was name by William Fitzwilliam Owen in honour of Admiral Sir Edward William Campbell Rich Owen (pictured here), his elder brother. In 1837, Charles Rankin began laying out a townsite along the waterfront. His work was delayed by the rebellion in Upper Canada, but was resumed in 1840. Known as Sydenhan, the townsite was originally located on the eastern bank of the Sydenham River close to the harbour. Settlers began arriving by boat in 1841 and were for the most part Scottish, Irish and English.



William Fitzwilliam Owen (pictured here) was the illegitimate son of Captain William Owen, he was orphaned at the age of four, however, his father's friend Rear-Admiral Sir Thomas Rich kept an eye on both William and his elder brother Edward, in 1788 at age 13 William Fitzwilliam Owen embarked as a midshipman in Rich's ship, HMS Culloden, and from that time the Royal Navy was his life. Self-willed and boisterous, he had not infrequent difficulties early in his naval career.

From the pioneer papers, looking at the Naval Officer of the Post here's what we can learn:

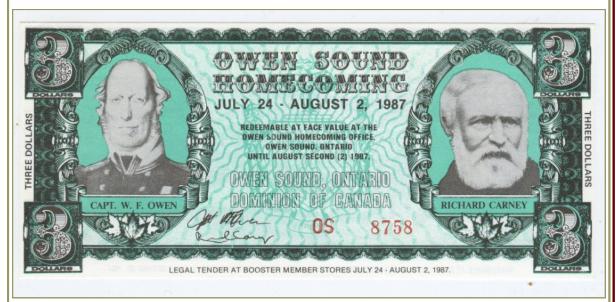
(...) Operations at Penetanguishene post, however, were not suspended for long, though not very active. A few of the "Canadian Fencibles" were left in charge and by the following spring the Sergeants house and Soldiers and Seaman's barracks were completed and the location for the shipyard and docks along

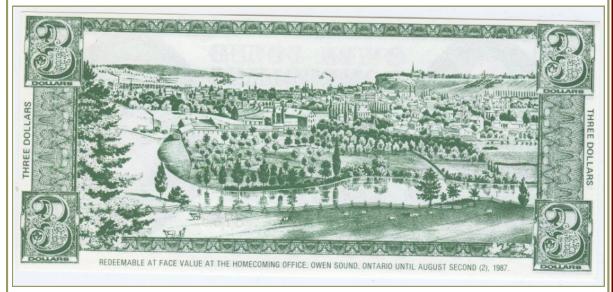
the shore nearly opposite Magazine Island cleared and under way. In October of 1816 the embryo post was favored with a visit from Sir Robert Hall who had the same year succeeded Capt. W. F. Owen, K.C.B., who was in November of the previous year appointed in succession to Sir James Yeo, and who had in turn superseded Commander (...)

(...) The gun-boats "Confiance" and "Surprise" in the shelter of Penetanguishene harbour, the former in command of Lieut. Grant, R.N., and the latter in command of Lieut. Williams, R.N., in 1817, who returned to England the latter part of the same year. Lieut.

Williams had been transferred from the gun-boat "Beresford" on Lake Ontario, for it must be remembered there was, as yet, no Welland Canal through which vessels could transfer from the lower to the upper lakes. The "Confiance" and "Surprise" were the two gun-boats the "Scorpion" and "Tigress" captured from the Americans on Lake Huron near Mackinaw in the latter part of 1814 and re-named. Sir James Yep and Commodore W. F. W. Owen returned to the sea, requisitioned by the British Admiralty, the latter having instituted the hydrographic survey of Canadian waters before he left and under whom Admiral Bayfield served his cadetship on the Canadian lakes. (...)

(...) Commodore W. F. Owen was appointed to the command of the Canadian lakes in succession to Sir James Yeo in 1815 and was made Naval Surveyor also. He spent the latter part of that year and part of the year following until he returned to England, in completing the naval survey of Lake Ontario. One of his orders during his short regime was in regard to the big guns and an anchor at Holland Landing and their removal to Kempenfeldt Bay, their destination being Drummond Island, the new post selected in lieu of Mackinaw. This order has become in a sense historic from the fact that the huge anchor and guns, as peace has been proclaimed, were dropped at Holland Landing, where the anchor has since remained attracting much attention from its ponderous weight and monstrous size. It took officialdom a long time, nearly two years, to realize that peace had been promulgated, the order being dated July 6th, 1816. Capt. Owen had for his assistant in the survey of Lake Ontario Cadet (at that time) Bayfield, R.N., whom he picked up at Quebec on H.M.S. "Wanderer". An interesting sketch of Kingston in 1819 by Cadet (afterwards Admiral) Bayfield is given in the Ontario Historical Society's Records, No. VIIL, p. 124, 1907. Sir W. F. W. Owen was born in 1774, entered the Navy as Midshipman in 1788, serving in the ships Vengeance, Hannibal and Cullodon. In 1808 he was taken prisoner by the French and detained at Mauritius for two years.





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He was employed in the survey of the Bay of Fundy and Nova Scotia and promoted to Rear Admiral in 1847, obtaining the rank of Vice-Admiral in 1854. He died at St. John, New Brunswick, in November 1857 at age 83 years. Admiral Owen acquired property on Campobello Island, Passamaquoddy Bay, New Brunswick, from which he was known as "Campobello" Owen.

On the retirement of Admiral Owen, Cadet (now Captain) Bayfield, his former assistant, was made Admiralty Surveyor in June 1817, and by the end of 1818 had completed the survey of Lakes Brie and St. Clair and in the following year established his head-quarters at Penetanguishene post preparatory to beginning his arduous surveys of Lakes Huron and Superior with their well-nigh countless islands and labyrinth marine coasts and channels. Mr. Bayfield had been promoted to Lieutenant before he was chosen Assistant to Capt. Owen in 1815 although in the comments regarding his sketch of Kingston in 1819, before mentioned, he is spoken of as Cadet Bayfield. (...)

From this source I moved to the Grand River Naval Depot report to see what I could find on the other Owen:

(...) In the early months of the War of 1812, British forces had control of Lake Erie, Lake Ontario, and the St. Lawrence River System. That changed on September 10, 1813 when the British fleet of six vessels under the command of Captain Robert Heriot Barclay, Royal Navy, was defeated by the American fleet of nine vessels under Commodore Oliver H. Perry, off Put-in-Bay, South Bass Island, Ohio. From that time on Lake Erie was in American hands. The Treaty of Ghent, signed by Great Britain and the United States in Ghent, Belgium n December 24, 1814, concluded the hostilities between the two powers. But the threat of an American invasion still remained. There was fear that another contest with the United States might result in the loss of all Canada west of Montreal.

During the war, settlements on the north shore of Lake Erie between Niagara and Detroit had been raided by the Americans. For these reasons the British naval administration, headquartered at Kingston decided that secure military and naval bases were needed, including one on the north shore of Lake Erie. Two sites were under construction, one at the mouth of the Grand River, and the other at the abandoned naval depot at Turkey Point, some 45 miles to the west. This depot guarding Long Point Bay had been active during the War of 1812. In 1809 Major John Norton wrote that the sand hills at the mouth of the Grand River would make a good location for a fort. At the time of Norton's visit, the land at the mouth of the Grand River was part of the Haldimand Grant awarded to the Six Nations in 1784. However, in November of that year, 4000 acres were given to Niagara-based lawyer William Dickson in return for his professional services. Sir Edward Campbell Rich Owen (Captain W. F. Owen's older brother and for whom Owen Sound is named after) became commodore and commander-in-chief of the Royal Navy forces on the Great Lakes in March 1815. On April 4, he wrote to Lieutenant General Gordon Drummond, commander of the forces of Quebec, expressing his intention to build some vessels for transport on Lake Erie. These, Owen explained, would be convertible to armed vessels should the need arise. In addition, Owen intended to find a place for a naval establishment somewhere on the upper lakes. (...)

How about Richard Carney? Well according the Barrie pioneer society May 1898 meeting papers transcribed from short-hand (as the first Barrie residents appear in Walton's Directory for 1837) indicate the heads of the first families in Barrie in 1837 were Lucius Boyington, John Bingham, Dugald Campbell, James Campbell, Richard Carney, Richard Cobb, C. Cunningham, Jane Duggan, David Edgar, Andrew Graham, Francis Hewson, Francis Martin, Francis Meighan, Thrift Meldrum, Richard McCoy, James Morrison, John McCausland, David McCausland, John McDonald, William Nesbitt, John Perry, D.S. Ross, Robert Ross, S. M. Sanford, Thomas Smith, George Stokes, William Strong, and Alexander Walker. The notes go on to say that Richard Carney was a step-son of Joseph Crow, an old sailor from Portsmouth, England, Richard and his wife, Mrs. Carney, a son, Thomas Crow, and a daughter, Eliza Carney, lived in a shanty near the lake opposite Sanford's Store. Crow found Carney money to build his tavern. When first opened it was called "Carney and Crow's Tavern". Major McKenzie's mother was a sister of Richard Carney. A brother, William Carney, was mixed up with the Rebellion of 37, was taken prisoner and confined in Kingston jail for two years.

We're told Richard Carney also kept a hotel for a long time. He was a very upright and straightforward man. He kept this little inn on the north side of Dunlop Street (Barrie), where the store at 46 Dunlop Street later stood. He erected this inn in 1832 as a log tavern for the accommodation of travellers and others, and Richard continued in it until the setting apart of Grey County, when Richard Carney was appointed the customs house officer as Collector of Customs at Owen Sound. Subsequently he became Sheriff of Algoma and passed the remainder of his life at Sault Ste. Marie. One of his sons, W. H. Carney became his successor as Sheriff at SSM. It's not clear why Richard Carney was worthy enough to be on the Owen Sound trade note in recognition of their 150th Anniversary and Homecoming in 1987. We also learn that harbour storehouses at the Nottawasaga end were quite large, as large as farmers good-sized log barns. A the Barrie end they were not so large. One of them stood in Barrie till 1838 or 1839. It took fire from some lime which Richard Carney had stored in it. The surviving dwellings at the Nottawasaga side were a mile south of the storehouses, on the high, dry ground, the shores of the stream being low and swampy. Not so fortunate for the Barrie side.

The Highland Manor is situated atop the West Hill of Owen Sound, overlooking the historic harbour city below. In 1849, it was simply known as "Lots 4 though 12", and the land on the brow of the West Hill consisted of some fifteen acres. It was probably the majestic view that this once extensive piece of property offered that prompted Richard Carney, the first mayor of Owen Sound, to acquire the deed in the form of a grant from the Crown, on January 13, 1849. It wasn't until the Ross family acquired the land from Richard Carney, in 1872, that The Highland Manor, one of the finest examples of high Victorian architecture in Canada, was

built. This period marked the beginning of a brand new country, the Dominion of Canada, and began to show its new identity in architecture, making the manor, built by the Rosses, a landmark of socio-architectural importance. Another building, a 3-storey yellow brick residence at 1258 3rd Avenue East Owen Sound, was erected in 1874. This residence was bought in 1885 by Jim and Annie Maitland, who were in the lumber business. Annie (nee Moore) was a granddaughter of Richard Carney. This building was later sold in 1995 to Barry More.

As Donald E. Carney shares, "My earliest known ancestor was John Carney of Nenagh, North Tipperary, Ireland. His only known son was Richard Carney who served in the British Army for several years and retired to Portsea, Hampshire, England about 1814. After Richard died in 1824 his wife Charlotte married a widower Joseph Crowe. In 1833 Joseph and Charlotte emigrated to Canada, accompanied by most of the children from both families. They originally settled in Simcoe County Ontario. Richard Carney's eldest son was also named Richard. He was, perhaps, the most notable of the children, becoming the first mayor of Owen Sound, Ontario, and later the first Sheriff of Algoma at Sault Ste. Marie. The Carney families lived mainly in the Owen Sound, Meaford and Walters Falls areas of Grey County in the early years, consequently there are many links to other families in these areas."

Dictionary of Canadian Biography also shows this connection to Richard Carney: "LAURIE, PATRICK GAMMIE, newspaperman; b. 7 April 1833 in New Pitsligo, Scotland, son of William Laurie, an Anglican minister, and Mary Ann Gammie; m. 4 Dec. 1855 Mary Eliza Carney, daughter of Richard Carney, in Sydenham (Owen Sound), Upper Canada, and they had four daughters and three sons who survived infancy; d. 11 May 1903 in Battleford (Sask.). The first attempt of Patrick Gammie Laurie's family to come to Canada ended in failure. William Laurie set out, shortly after his wife's death, taking with him his young sons Patrick and John, but their ship was driven ashore by a storm and seized by striking dock workers at Greenock. A second attempt brought the family to Toronto in November 1842. They soon went on to Cobourg, where Patrick attended grammar school for about a year. Having completed grade 5 or 6, he became a printer's apprentice with the *Church*, an Anglican journal. In 1846 the *Church* relocated in Toronto, and Laurie moved there. Over the next ten years he lived in Brantford, in Sydenham where he worked on a newspaper owned by Richard Carney, and again in Toronto."

So Carney's image on the note is do to him being first mayor in 1920 when Owen Sound was finally incorporated as a city, and Owen's is due to him providing the "Owen Sound" name. I guess this seems fitting in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the community.

Okay now that brings us back to the issue of printer of this note. There is no record of any Star Brown Printers Ltd. existing. As I said I was certain this should read in the catalogue (referenced earlier) as Stan Brown Printers Ltd. I still work with John and Cathy Klerks, long-standing owners of this company until this decade. My employer owned the building the print shop was in until I sold it at auction as one of my responsibilities with my employer is property management.

The building was originally the County of Grey Registry Office and it was built in 1855 by contractor John Frost, who was later to become Mayor of Owen Sound. The building was designed to meet the functional needs of the Registry Office. Now what's interesting is this building was partially surrounded by walls which housed the jail house. Both these building were built so sound, that when I sold this building at auction, although the building was 156 years old when I sold it in 2011, it was appraised by two independent expert agencies, as having the equivalent age of 45 years. In fact it was so sound, the costs to renovate this heritage building would be very close to the same cost of tearing it down and building a new building. This is what made this building difficult to sign, especially since it has all these mini rooms, closets, and storage plan storage draws that the registry needed and later the printer found handy.





In 1923, an addition was designed by Forster and Clark Architects from Owen Sound, and the construction was done by a local contractor Roy Brigham. The addition was designed to house a furnace and coal bin, while being aesthetically sympathetic with the original structure. A later addition of two structural bays to the back of the building required the removal of the original addition. An interesting note is the utilization of the Registry Office as the City Hall during the construction of the new city hall in 1861 after the fire which destroyed the old City Hall.

The Registry Office expresses a sincere, uncomplicated design through the use of Roman Revival elements on the front façade. Components of this design are the pediment on the front façade gable, the use of the chromatic change in the brick work to express the frieze, and the column which is capped with a stone carved capitol.

Stan Brown Printers was established over 50 years ago by Stan Brown. In 1973, when Stan decided to retire, two of his long-term employees, Nelson Maher and Jack Osadzuk, took over the business. The two ran the business successfully for many years until, in 1995, they too, decided to retire. Once again, it was a long-term employee who took over the business. "I've been here for over 30 years," said John Klerks who, along with his wife Cathy, purchased the business in 1995. Like the business's previous owners, Klerks gains his knowledge of printing working hands-on in all aspects of the business. "I still print two days a week", he said at a point when they were at 8 employees, later in the 2000s years, he returns to more hours of printing and they have less staff. Stan Brown Printers had seen a lot of changes in the printing industry since Klerks first became involved in the business in the late 60's. At one time a large portion of the business' services involved producing business material such as copies of memos, and reports. With the advent of computers, photocopiers and laser printer, however, the demand for these types of services began to decline. At the same time, the demand for high-quality short-run colour printing increased. With full colour process printing and darkroom facilities, as well as offset and letterpress printing capabilities, Stan Brown Printers was in a solid position to meet the rising demand. You can find many periodicals, magazines, brochures and books crediting Stan Brown Printers as the printer. "No job is too small," was, and remained the business' credit until a competitor acquired it. Stan Brown's would print everything from wedding invitations, business cards, calendars, note cards, postcards, posters, reproductions of artwork and newsletters. Printing services for window stickers, decals and identification labels were also offered. Stan Brown Printers offered art and layout services, and had all the resources needed to assist clients in planning the look and implementing the end product-no matter what the product might be. My employer used their services for many business needs and marketing initiatives and were pleased with the results and reasonableness of their pricing compared to their competitors.

Now W. D. Keeling Printers Limited was Stan Brown's chief competitor in Owen Sound. They were ahead of the game on technology with Stan Brown trying to play catch up. Keeling was founded in 1968 about a two decades after Stan Brown. Michelle and Carolyn (Keeling) purchased Stan Brown in or around 2005, and vacated the Stan Brown building less than a year later as they did not require two locations. They kept John Klerks on staff for several years, until he retired from the printing industry, and later he came to work with his wife at our Owen Sound branch.



Our 1-storey brick building had never been used for anything except a printing business outside of the time it was a registry office. There were no other printers who wanted to locate to Owen Sound. Several different types of businesses entered this building, such as a Toronto spa wanting to open a location in Owen Sound, and some Toronto folks considered converting the building to use for a summer vacation residence. Overall despite numerous openhouses and offers, and several applying to the City and province under heritage building funding opportunities, it became apparent that since this building was like a fortress in construction, the cost to renovate was too overwhelming. Eventually, the only choice was to get it off the books by public auction. Jim Snider's Sydenham Auction & Appraisal Services Inc. handled the public auction which took place on Saturday, April 2nd, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. The building was located 5 blocks north east of Owen Sound's downtown core and designated R-5 zoning and attractively situated among early 1900's 1-1/2 and 2-1/2 storey homes. There was no reserve, in order to bring bidders in, and the property sold sufficiently to clear our net book value.

So see all the wonderful stories that unfolded just by researching this one municipal trade note! You never know what you will discover at a local show, so I encourage you to get out in person. I found this in a box of items. I also found vintage famous card of prize fighters, where each package had 5 or 10 and the packages were only 5 for \$2 so I bought up every prize fighter package they had and took them home for my husband's enjoyment. Each card had a terrific vintage picture on the front and the back had the boxer's life-time stats.

Local / Special Coin Shows & Conventions



- **NOV. 3, Scarborough, ON** 16th Annual Scarborough Coin Club Show, Cedarbrook Community Centre, 91 Eastpark Blvd., Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free admission and draws, refreshments available. Sponsor/Affiliate: Scarborough Coin Club. For more information contact Dick Dunn, email cpms@idirect.com, or PO Box 562, Pickering, ON L1V 2R7.
- **NOV. 4, Windsor, ON** Windsor Coin Show, Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Ave. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission \$1, junior members free, plenty of free parking. Sponsor/Affiliate: Windsor Coin Club. For more information contact Colin Cutler, telephone 519-962-2584, email ccutler@cogeco.ca. Website: http://www.windsorcoinclub.com.
- NOV. 17, Niagara Falls, ON Niagara Falls Coin Club Coin Show, 6944 Stanley Ave. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free parking. \$2 admission includes ticket on gold coin draw; coins, tokens, paper money and more. Sponsor/Affiliate: Niagara Falls Coin Club. For more information contact Todd Hume, telephone 905-871-2451.
- **DEC. 2, Brampton, ON** Brampton Coin Show, Century Gardens Recreation Centre, 340 Vodden Rd. E. Buy, sell, trade and appraise at more than 40 tables of dealers, featuring coins, medals, tokens, paper money, trade dollars, militaria. Children's table. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission \$3, under 14 free. Free parking. Funds raised for Children's Charities. Sponsor/Affiliate: B&W Coins & Tokens and the Brampton Rotary Club. For more information, contact B&W Coins & Tokens, Willard Burton telephone 905-450-2870, email b_and_w@sympatico.ca.



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CANADIAN COIN NEWS

"Coin Nerds" by SNAP Newspaper—Guelph

Twice a year, the Guelph Legion is filled with shiny coins, rare bank notes & other collectibles as coin lovers descend upon it for the latest incarnation of the South Wellington Coin Show. **Mike Hollingshead** and the rest of the self-ascribed "coin nerds" always put on a great show - and this past event held in late March was no exception! If you're at all interested in rare coins and bills, or know anyone who is, make sure not to miss the next time (Oct. 13, 2012) **Mikey** and the nerds present another superb show! In the meantime, visit www.w3design.com/swcs. (pictures below have appeared in SNAP before or after bi-annual shows).

Members of the South Wellington Coin Society: **John**, **Robert**, **Mike**, **Lowell** and **Scott** hosted the Coin Show at the Col. John McCrae Legion Hall in April.





Peter and Barbara Ann Kostyk had plenty of coins for sale, including a chest of interesting coins that could be had for only 75 cents each.



Ada Gadoury chats with **Sandy Lomas** from Ted's Collectables Inc.: 866.747.COIN (2646)

"Coin nerds" **Bruno Kerkhof** (with his very shy daughter), **Robert Zmija**, **Matt MacNeal**, **John Semedo**, **Adrian Zjima**, **Charles Turton**, **Scott Douglas**, **Mel Brown** and **Robin Semedo**.



Let the Bidding Begin! Here's Auction List for November 7th, 2012

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LOT	DESCRIPTION			EST. ALUE	RE	SERVE	YOUR BID	WINNING BID			
1	Canada 1971 double dollar set	[\$ 12]	\$	20.00	\$	15.00					
2	Canada 1972 double dollar set	[\$ 12]	\$	35.00	\$	15.00					
3	Canada 1974 double dollar set	[\$ 16.50]	\$	20.00	\$	15.00					
4	Canada 1979 double dollar set	[\$ 18.50]	\$	25.00	\$	15.00					
5	Canada 1980 double dollar set	[\$ 36]	\$	35.00	\$	15.00					
6	Canada 1981 double dollar set	[\$ 36]	\$	30.00	\$	15.00					
7	Canada 1982 double dollar set	[\$ 36]	\$	20.00	\$	15.00					
8	Canada 1985 double dollar set	[\$ 40]	\$	28.00	\$	15.00					
9	Canada 1986 double dollar set	[\$ 40]	\$	28.00	\$	15.00					
10	Canada 1987 double dollar set	[\$ 43]	\$	28.00	\$	15.00					
11	Canada 1988 double dollar set	[\$ 43]	\$	35.00	\$	15.00					
12	Canada 1989 double dollar set	[\$ 46.95]	\$	40.00	\$	15.00					
13	Canada 1990 double dollar set	[\$ 48]	\$	45.00	\$	15.00					
14	Canada 1937 silver dollar		\$	40.00	\$	22.00					
15	Canada 1939 silver dollar		\$	35.00	\$	20.00					
16	Canada 1949 silver dollar		\$	30.00	\$	20.00					
17	Canada 1950 silver dollar		\$	30.00	\$	20.00					
18	Canada 1953 nsf silver dollar			?	\$	20.00					
19	Canada 1954 silver dollar			?	\$	20.00					
20	Canada 1955 silver dollar			?		20.00					
21	Canada 1958 silver dollar			?		20.00					
22	Canada 1960 silver dollar			?	\$	20.00					
23	Canada 1963 silver dollar			?	\$	20.00					
24	Canada 1949 silver half dollar		\$	16.00	\$	8.00					
25	Canada 1959 silver dime			?	\$	2.00					
26	Canada 1900 shinplaster		\$	15.00	\$	7.00					
27	Canada 1923 shinplaster		\$	10.00	\$	5.00					
28	Newfoundland 1888 silver dime		\$	40.00	\$	20.00					
29	Newfoundland 1894 silver dime		\$	8.00	\$	4.00					
30	Newfoundland 1903 silver dime		\$	6.00	\$	3.00					
31	Newfoundland 1917c silver dime		\$	6.00	\$	3.00					
32	Newfoundland 1941c silver dime		\$	3.50	\$	2.00					
33	Newfoundland 1943c silver dime		\$	7.00	\$	3.50					
34	Three World bank notes unc			?	\$	3.00					
35	Three World bank notes unc			?	\$	3.00					
36	Three World bank notes unc			?	\$	3.00					
37	Three World bank notes unc			?	\$	3.00					
38	Three World bank notes unc			?	\$	3.00					
39	Three World bank notes unc			?	\$	3.00					
40	U.S.A. 1965 special mint set			?	\$	10.00					
	coins for auction call Lowell Wierstra at 519-824-6534										